

SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please amend paragraph [0001] of the Specification as follows:

[0001] This is a continuation of application serial 10/256,643, filed September 27, 2002, which is a continuation-in-part of application serial number 09/978,794, filed October 18, 2001, now United States patent no. 6,468,674 B1, issued October 22, 2002, which is a continuation of application serial number 09/414,766 filed October 7, 1999 now abandoned.

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TITLE

**COMPOSITION FOR CONTROLLING SPANGLE SIZE,
A COATED STEEL PRODUCT, AND
A COATING METHOD**

[0001] This is a continuation-in-part of application serial number 09/978,794, filed October 18, 2001, now United States patent no. 6468674 B1, issued October 22, 2002, which is a continuation of application serial number 09/414,766 filed October 7, 1999 now abandoned.

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Field of the Invention

[0002] The present invention is directed to a coating composition, a coated steel product, and a method of making, and in particular, to an aluminum-zinc coating composition employing effective amounts of a particulate compound constituent to enhance tension bend rust stain performance and the appearance of the sheet when painted and reduce spangle facet size.

Background Art

[0003] The coating of steel components with aluminum-based coating alloys, commonly referred to a hot dip coating, is well known in the prior art. One particular type of coating is trademarked as Galvalume®, which is owned by BIEC International, Inc., and is representative of an aluminum-zinc coating alloy.

[0004] These materials are advantageous as building materials, particularly wall and roof construction due to their corrosion resistance, durability, heat reflection, and paintability. Typically, these materials are manufactured by passing a steel product such as a sheet or plate through a bath of a melted alloy coating composition comprising aluminum, zinc, and silicon. The amount of coating applied to the steel products is controlled by wiping, and then the products are cooled. One characteristic of the coating applied to the steel product is its grain size or spangle facet size.